

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

AREA	FORM NO.
	588



City Lexington

Address 445 Marrett Road

Historic Name Wellington-Fuller-

Chings-Haseltine House

Present residential

Original residential

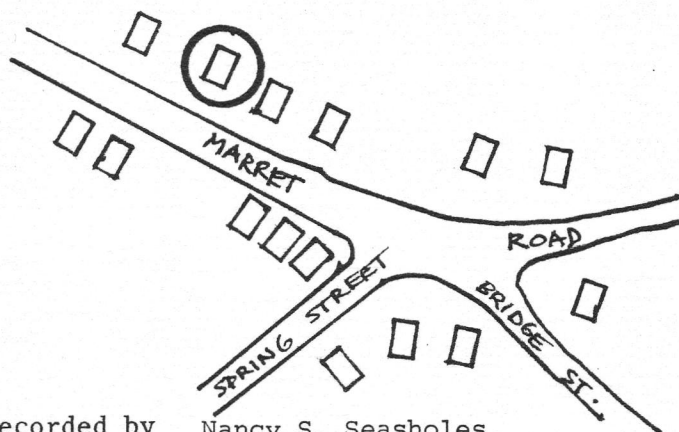
DESCRIPTION:

Age c. 1840

Source 1830, 1852 maps; stylistic analysis

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.



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Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date April, 1984

Style Greek Revival

Architect

Exterior wall fabric vinyl siding

Outbuildings tennis court

Major alterations (with dates) long

rear ell with lean-to and additions on west

Moved Date

Approx. acreage 28770 ft.²

Setting On heavily trafficked road; near other residences and across from commercial area.

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

This Greek Revival house is the only one of its type in its neighborhood and, in spite of its vinyl siding, retains many of its exterior features: the full entablature across both the sides and gable ends, the corner pilasters, and the side entrance in the gable end. The long rear ell was apparently added relatively early, for it also is on a granite foundation. The exterior chimney is almost certainly a later alteration.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

The section of Marrett Road on which this house stands was not built until 1832 so this house was presumably built sometime between that date and 1852, when it is indicated on the map. The owner at that time was apparently Horatio Wellington, who was married in 1841, suggesting a possible date of construction. Wellington had apparently moved to Charlestown in 1852 and by 1876 the owner was George G. Fuller; in 1889 the owner was Albert F. Hitchings, a farmer who had moved to Lexington in the late 1880s, and in 1898 the house, by then with not only its long rear ell but also an attached barn and outbuildings on the south which have since been removed, was owned by the Haseltines, for whom no occupations are given in either the 1899 or 1906 directories.

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Hudson, Charles. History of the Town of Lexington, revised and continued to 1912 by the Lexington Historical Society, Volume II, p. 735. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1913.

1852 map

1876 map

1889 map

1898 map

1906 map

1899 Directory

1906 Directory